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Thelma Oxford, 79

Thelma Oxford, 79, passed away on Nov. 18, 2004 at the Community Hospital in Bonners Ferry, Idaho. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2004 at 11 a.m. in the Bonners Ferry Funeral Home, in Bonners Ferry, Idaho with burial following in the Grandview Cemetery.

Thelma M Wernecke was born on June 21, 1925 in Genesee, Idaho to George and Esther (Snelson) Wernecke. She grew up living in Pataha, Wash., and attended Holy Rosary Catholic School and Pomeroy High School.

On Jan. 8, 1943, she married Milus D. Oxford in Pomeroy, Wash., Milus logged and they lived in Missoula, Thompson Falls, and several Western Montana and North Idaho towns before settling in Bonners Ferry in 1960. Together they raised 5 children, including three sons Mike from Naukati, Alaska, Steve and wife Diane, Tom and wife Dee Dee from Moyie Springs, two daughters: Sue Lee and Husband Terry of Bellingham, Wash, and Paula Polumsky and husband Steve of Clarkston, Wash. sisters Violet Bundy, Hermiston, Ore., and George Beuchheim of Royal City, Wash. Thelma

treasured her 19 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. Keeping up with all of their sports activities was one of her favorite pastimes. She enjoyed flower gardening, Mariner Baseball and her cooking was enjoyed by many. Mom was a wonderful mom and a true friend.

Thelma was preceded in death by her husband Milus, parents, and two brothers, Walt and Pat.

She was a member of North Bench Bluebirds, Eagles Auxiliary, St Ann's Altar Society, and a 4-H leader.